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charges Arab with killing Nafa

April 28 (R) — Police today charged a 29-year-old the murder of lawyer Mahmoud Nafa, the second to be shot dead in London within two weeks. The Association news agency meanwhile reported that Nafa was going into hiding following a statement issued by Muammar Qadhafi that opponents who did not immediately were doomed. Police said the man in last Friday's murder of Mr. Nafa, shot dead at his law office, had refused to give his address or but named him as Mabrouk Ali Mohammad Al could Arab was being questioned over the killing. Two re already facing trial charged with the April 11 killing ster and writer Mohammad Mustafa Ramadan, y friends as an outspoken critic of Col. Qadhafi. Mr. son, a Labour opposition parliamentarian, today overment ministers to say what steps police were protect Libyans in this country.

Kurds offer to make peace with Iran

TEHRAN, April 28 (R) — Kurdish groups fighting the army and para-military Revolutionary Guards in the Kurdistan capital of Sanandaj said today they were ready to make peace provided the government ordered a genuine ceasefire and stopped bombing the city. But the joint staff of Kurdish political groups in Sanandaj said that if President Abol Hasan Bani-Sadr did not meet these conditions and start "serious and formal negotiations" the Kurdish guerrillas would continue their resistance until final victory. Two days ago President Bani-Sadr said he had told the army to declare a unilateral ceasefire in Kurdistan, following two weeks of fighting in the province in which the Kurds say nearly 1,000 people have died. But a spokesman for the Kurdish groups told Reuters by telephone today from Sanandaj that despite the president's move fighting was continuing there today, with government helicopters and Phantom jets bombarding the city. He said that since yesterday at least 10 people had been killed and many others wounded.

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Kahane tells Arabs to leave Israeli troops break up violent Ramallah protest

April 28 (Agencies) today broke up a demonstration of West Bank residents against Kahane, who drove to Ramallah to leave their homes.



Karim Khalaf

lio reported four injured in the melee used tear gas and shots into the air to restore order. They had anger after Rabbi Kahane, an American-born militant Jewish leader, attempted to enter to Ramallah. Khalaf demanded the all-Arab city, to the state radio, several hundred were armed with stones during the demonstration.

who leads an extremist group called "thush" drove into Ramallah with about a half-dozen supporters and began dispersing leaflets praising the window-smashing rampage and urging Arabs to leave the West Bank and settle in other Arab countries.

and violence erupted. The state radio reported that Mr. Kahane's van eluded army roadblocks set up outside Ramallah to keep him out of the already tense city of 30,000. The Rabbi, whose organization is shunned by mainstream political groups advocates expelling Arabs from Israel and the West Bank if they refuse to leave voluntarily.

Last year Rabbi Kahane was jailed for three months for carrying out a similar rampage in the fiercely nationalistic West Bank city of Hebron.

Today's incident followed three days of strikes in Ramallah and other West Bank towns in protest at vandalising of residents' cars last week. Four residents of the Jewish settlement of Beit-El have been arrested on suspicion of causing the damage.

The strikes continued today, affecting other towns in the area. Arab sources said that businesses were closed in Bethlehem, Beit Jala and Jericho as well as in Ramallah and Al Bireh.



Mr. Warren Christopher, the U.S. deputy secretary of state (below), has been considered the leading prospect to succeed Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, (above) (AP wirephotos)



Could not back Carter on hostage rescue mission Vance's resignation accepted

WASHINGTON, April 28 (R) — Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said today that he had resigned because he could not back President Carter's decision last week to send a highly-trained squad of military men into Iran in a hostage rescue attempt.

Mr. Vance made his views known in his resignation letter dated April 21 — four days before the abortive raid — and in a statement to reporters at the State Department soon after the White House formally announced this morning that he had quit.

He added, however, that he fully supported the president's policies on other issues and was leaving the administration, after serving since Mr. Carter was inaugurated in January 1977, with "a heavy heart."

President Carter accepted the resignation in a letter carrying today's date.

He had warm words of praise for Mr. Vance but added: "Because you could not support my decision regarding the rescue operation in Iran, you have made the correct decision to resign."

The resignation nevertheless came as a severe blow to Mr. Carter as he grappled with myriad problems and sought to win re-election in the November general election.

respected Mr. Vance drew expressions of regret from various political quarters.

Senate Democratic leader Robert Byrd of West Virginia called Mr. Vance dedicated and patriotic and said he would be missed. The assistant Republican opposition leader in the Senate, Mr. Ted Stevens of Alaska, said Mr. Vance had been a stabilizing influence in the administration.

White House spokesman Jody Powell was asked by reporters if Mr. Vance's resignation would put new strains in U.S. relations with West European allies, who decided a week ago to impose sanctions against Iran at least partly to dissuade President Carter from taking military action.

"I hope not," Mr. Powell said. "I know that the president intends to do everything that can be done to avoid any deleterious effect on U.S. foreign policy arising from this (Mr. Vance's) decision," he added.

Mr. Powell also announced that Deputy Secretary of State Warren

Christopher would become acting secretary immediately and would be among those considered to take over the post permanently.

The White House issued the resignation letter and the president's reply after Mr. Vance called on the president this morning to discuss the naming of the secretary's replacement.

Later, Mr. Vance read a statement at the state department and answered a few queries while walking towards the door of the department briefing room.

He said he hoped all his aides would remain in their posts and support President Carter.

Asked about his future plans, he said he had not yet made up his mind but added he might resume his Wall Street law practice.

Officials said Mr. Vance objected that the rescue operation was too risky and could have diplomatic and political consequences if it failed, which it did because of helicopter problems.

Eight American servicemen also died and five were injured in an aircraft collision as the 90-man rescue squad withdrew early last Friday from an Iranian desert strip 320 kilometres from Tehran after President Carter called off the mission.

Mr. Vance's reason for resigning also made clear, for the first time, that not every one in the administration was behind the gamble to rescue the 50 American hostages.

White House spokesman Jody Powell, asked yesterday whether everyone in the National Security Council had gone along with the decision for a military rescue attempt, said: "I have not indicated that everyone went along with it. There were serious questions all along..." He did not elaborate, however.

President Carter was expected to be away most of the day in Texas — the first time since the hostage crisis began that he has travelled anywhere except to the Camp David presidential retreat in the Maryland mountains.

He cancelled a mid-morning speech in Washington to make a quick trip to San Antonio, Texas, to see the five servicemen injured in the failed U.S. rescue mission.

Mr. Vance, 63, was absent when the president and his other senior advisers decided on April 11 to go ahead with the rescue mission, on which planning and training began soon after the U.S. embassy in Tehran was seized by militants 177 days ago.

He was away in Florida that day and the following weekend on a brief vacation he had planned for some time.

On his return, Mr. Vance told the president he disagreed with the rescue operation but Mr. Carter refused to change his mind and call it off.

One unidentified White House official was quoted as saying in the New York Times that Mr. Vance informed Mr. Carter that he could not publicly support the mission and that they agreed to wait "for a decent time of day" to announce

the resignation.

Earlier this month, after he returned from Florida, Mr. Vance also objected strongly to a plan by Mr. Carter to ban food and medicine to Iran as part of a strengthened economic and diplomatic sanctions to try to secure the hostages' release.

At the very last minute, Mr. Vance persuaded the president to drop the food and medicine ban from his announcement, made on April 17, imposing various new economic sanctions.

But Mr. Vance, a former Wall Street lawyer who served in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations, has been at odds on occasions with other senior Carter advisers such as National Security Affairs Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski.

Despite public disavowals of any basic policy disputes, Mr. Brzezinski, with his more hard-line approach especially towards the Soviet Union, has increasingly appeared to have become the administration's main foreign policy spokesman.

Underlining this was a survey among leading U.S. personalities published in the magazine U.S. News and World Report in its April 14 issue. It listed Mr. Vance ninth among influential Americans, with Mr. Brzezinski third after President Carter and Federal Reserve Board Chairman Paul Volcker.

Mr. Vance's resignation could not have come at a worse time for President Carter, now beset with the Iran and Afghan crises and waging a desperate battle to cut the 19 cent inflation rate while the country entered a recession.

What effect it will have on his public approval could not be immediately gauged. But it could hurt his re-election chances and bring a resurgence of criticism that the administration's foreign policy is in disarray.

In Beirut, Iranian Foreign Minister Sadeq Qotbzadeh said today, Mr. Vance's decision to resign is "justified" in terms of his dignity and integrity.

Mr. Qotbzadeh, who is in Lebanon as part of an Arab tour, told a press conference in Hazmeh, east of Beirut: "It (the resignation) also shows that this decision involving Iran was so delicate and even to some extent unpopular that it was made in a circle of those who have a tendency to blow up the situation."

Dissidents claim responsibility Explosions rock central Tehran

PARIS, April 28 (Agencies) — An Iranian group calling for the overthrow of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's regime telephoned Paris Monday to claim responsibility for one of the four bombs that went off in Tehran, Iranian dissidents here said.

The "Shock Group Khorramdin," named after Iranian nationalist hero Babak Khorramdin, made the claim in a telephone call to the Paris office of exiled former Prime Minister Shapur Bakhtiari.

A Bakhtiari spokesman, who said he had never before heard of the group, said the group's spokesman warned that such bomb attacks would continue until "the destruction of the Khomeini's reactionary and clerical regime."

A different spokesman for Dr. Bakhtiari, who has pledged the overthrow of Ayatollah Khomeini, said the former prime minister supported the U.S. attempt to rescue the American hostages. But he said Dr. Bakhtiari regretted that any country had to take such a step against Iran.

The series of bomb explosions rocked central Tehran today, killing at least three people and injuring many more. One Iranian Revolutionary Guard commander at the scene of one of the blasts blamed the explosions on U.S. infiltrators and their agents.

One bomb under a car in a parking lot shattered store windows and destroyed 10 cars. A Revolutionary Guard commander, who identified himself only as Ali, said 34 persons were wounded in the parking lot explosion alone.

Earlier, another bomb exploded in a downtown movie theatre, one occurred at a drug store, and fourth blast was reported in the central headquarters of the Bank Sepah.

Asked about the motives for the bombings, Ali said: "I'm certain that it is the work of those Americans who infiltrated into Iran and their agents."

A hospital nurse said three persons died of wounds received in today's blasts and several more underwent surgery.

Meanwhile, Tehran Radio reported today the bodies of the U.S. commandos killed in the abortive operation to rescue the American hostages in Iran will be handed over to representatives of Pope John Paul II, the International Red Cross and the Swiss government.

The timing of the turnover was not known. The eight bodies were taken to Tehran's morgue.

"As there is no guarantee that the U.S. administration will return the bodies of the Americans killed in the abortive operation to their families, we decided to hand them over to representatives of Pope

John Paul II, the International Red Cross Organisation and the Swiss government," the broadcast said, citing a statement from the office of President Abol Hassan Bani-Sadr.

The Swiss ambassador, the Red Cross representative in Tehran and the Papal representative were not available immediately for comment. Switzerland represents U.S. interests in Iran since Washington broke diplomatic relations.

An unknown number of the American hostages dispersed around Iran following the abortive mission to free them are being held at the U.S. consulate in Tabriz, their student captors said today.

It was the first time the students had identified precisely any of the new places of detention for the Americans held for the past six months at the occupied U.S. embassy in Tehran.

They said earlier that groups of the hostages had been moved to Tabriz, in northwestern Iran, and to the holy city of Qom, south of the capital.

The students announced they were moving the hostages to forestall any further attempt to rescue the hostages from the U.S. compound in Tehran.

The militants did not say how many of their 50 captives were transferred or where and when the others might be moved. But three senior U.S. diplomats held at the foreign ministry in Tehran since the embassy takeover on Nov. 4 were not moved, a ministry official said.

Nepal extends recognition to PLO

KATMANDU, April 28 (R) — The Nepalese government has recognised the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) as the sole representative of the Palestinian people, Iraq's minister of state for foreign affairs, Mr. Hamed Alwan, told reporters today.

Mr. Alwan had just emerged from a round of formal talks between Nepalese foreign ministry officials led by their minister, Mr. K.B. Shahi, and an Arab League delegation which Mr. Alwan is leading on a tour of Nepal and four other Asian countries.

"I am delighted and heartened at the decision of Nepal to extend full recognition of the PLO as the sole representative of the Palestinian people," Mr. Alwan said.

Nepal has called for the withdrawal of all Israeli forces from Arab territories and has supported the right of the Palestinian people to independent statehood and the right of all states to live in peace.

Meanwhile, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin said in a French television interview today that Western European recognition of the PLO would not serve peace but lead to war.

He said President Valery Giscard d'Estaing's call for recognition of the Palestinian people's right to self-determination was unacceptable to Israel.

Mr. Begin said he did not believe the PLO would change its attitude towards Israel.

Regional Briefs

D, April 28 (R) — Iraqi President Saddam Hussein talks here today with President France Albert Rene, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported. It said the talks, Mr. Hussein stressed the need for the improvement of relations between non-aligned nations in the Middle East in order to contribute to promoting world peace. Rene, who arrived here yesterday for a four-day visit, talks on closer cooperation between the two countries, political developments and questions of mutual interest, it said.

D, April 28 (R) — South Yemeni opposition leader Ali Jaffri died here early today of a heart attack, the Agency reported. Mr. Jaffri, leader of the South Yemeni opposition, arrived here last Thursday to attend meetings of a group of oppositionists to the Marxist regime in Aden. His body was taken to Cairo later for burial there. The group, to the overthrow of the South Yemeni regime, was formed here last month as delegates were attending a conference in London for the proposed national charter for inter-Arab relations. The preparatory committee is now drafting a new charter for South Yemen.

D, April 28 (R) — Sultan Qaboos Bin Said of Oman has been named as one of the superpowers threatening the peace and stability of the Middle East by interfering and intervening militarily in the region. Sultan Qaboos said in a telegram to the Indonesian president to mark the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Republic of Indonesia that rivalry between superpowers was the cause of present international tensions. The Sultan said "interference and military intervention by superpowers threaten the peace and stability of non-aligned countries" and called on the movement to stand together against aggression against any of its members.

D, April 28 (R) — A young Iraqi girl student was killed last night when gunmen fired at a house, Turkish radio today. Suad El Sadi, a student of medical sciences in Baghdad, was critically wounded and died in hospital. Unidentified gunmen opened fire on a house she was visiting in the Cebeci district of Ankara. In the eastern border area two primary school teachers were shot dead in street in eastern Elazig, three policemen were seriously wounded when their patrol car was attacked by a group of gunmen.

JUM, April 28 (AP) — Sudan and the Soviet Union today announced a programme to promote cultural and scientific cooperation within the framework of an agreement signed in 1967. The programme calls for the promotion of relations between the two countries in the fields of higher education, science, culture, and the exchange of sports teams between the two countries. A 15-year-old agreement had been haltingly applied since 1967. Relations between the two nations began to cool in 1975 when President Jaafar Numeiri began to lean towards a pro-western moderation. In May 1977 he expelled 90 Soviet experts from the Sudanese army to protest Moslem involvement in neighbouring Ethiopia and the Horn of Africa. In 1978 Sudan slowly returned to normalising relations with Moscow with the return of the Soviet ambassador to Khartoum.

DE, April 28 (R) — Two Yugoslav workers who had been kidnapped in Iraq in February have been released and are on their way home, a foreign ministry spokesman said here today. The workers, employed by a construction company, were held while on a desert journey. A Kurdish group hostile to the government claimed responsibility. The spokesman said the weekly press conference: "I have been advised that the workers, kidnapped by unknown armed people in Iraq, have returned to their homes." He gave no further details.



United States Coast Guardsmen on a 41-foot patrol boat Monday search for storm victims after 110-kilometre-an-hour winds ripped through Key West, Florida, and its vicinity, capsizing boats and knocking dozens of people overboard on boats that were on their way into or out of the harbour. The Coast Guard rescued at least a dozen people from the water and are still searching for more victims. Meanwhile, hundreds of Cuban refugees were feared drowned Monday after the flash storm hit their flotilla of tiny craft in the Florida Straits, capsizing or disabling dozens of vessels. See page 6.

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Jordan and Iraq sign agreement on trade

AMMAN, April 28 (JNA) — Jordan and Iraq yesterday concluded an agreement aimed at strengthening their economic and trade relations.

Following several days of talks between officials from both sides, the two countries agreed to increase the maximum annual volume of Iraqi-Jordanian trade to JD 12.5 million in each direction, and to raise the quotas of the two countries' commercial centres in each other's capitals. The Jordanian commercial centre in Baghdad's quota is to reach JD 5 million and that of the Iraqi commercial centre in Amman, JD 3 million annually.

The two sides also agreed to encourage trade and industrial fairs in Amman and Baghdad to promote the sale of both countries' products; and to provide the maximum possible facilities to Iraq for exporting or importing goods through Aqaba Port. The agreement also provides for facilities for transit and travel between the two countries, as well as bilateral cooperation in technical and agricultural fields.

Jordan agreed to give training to four Iraqis from the Iraqi Ministry of Agriculture on grading and classifying agricultural products; and Iraq will give priority to Jordanian agricultural products. The agreement was signed for Jordan by the Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Industry and Trade, Dr. Hashem Dabbas, and for Iraq by the Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Trade and Economy, Dr. Mahdi Al-Ubeidi.

The Iraqi delegation left Amman for home last night.

Today, the visiting President of the Iraqi Fund for External Development, Dr. Abdul Amir Al-Anbari, held talks with the President of the National Planning Council, Dr. Hanna Odeh, on cooperation in development projects.

Dr. Anbari, who arrived here yesterday, said his talks will pave the way for a visit here later this week by Iraqi First Deputy Premier Taha Yassin Ramadan to discuss economic and trade matters with Jordanian officials. He expected his talks will end in several economic and technical agreements between Jordan and Iraq.

UNRWA in West Bank to get new director

AMMAN, April 28 (R) — Former Australian army staff officer Mr. Roy E. Skinner will take over as director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine refugees (UNRWA) in the Israeli-occupied West Bank later this year, the agency announced today.

Currently UNRWA deputy director in the Gaza Strip, in his new post Mr. Skinner will succeed Mr. George Galipeau of Canada, who has been appointed director of UNRWA in Syria.

The present UNRWA Director in Syria, Mr. Wilhelm Sillen of Sweden, is due for retirement, the agency said.

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King urges Arab awakening at inauguration of second NCC

AMMAN, April 28 (JT) — His Majesty King Hussein has said that "the currents of disintegration which are blowing on the Arab homeland are aimed at our entire national existence," and called on the Arab people to "alarm and awaken their sleeping national senses to avert the widening of rifts and the collapse of the national unity of the Arab countries."

The King was addressing the opening session of the second National Consultative Council yesterday, whose 60 members were appointed last week.

King Hussein said the enemy entrenched in our captive Arab land was not unaware of the "serious omens" pertaining to the "dangerous internal strife aimed at Arab national unity and also extending to inter-Arab relations."

"Our duty in the whole Arab homeland," he said, "is to return to the origins, define priorities and be aware that the Arab national existence and its continuation is far more important than the struggles of ideologies and sectarian and racist agglomerations. The life and existence of the Arabs depend on their awakening from the long sleep in which they have indulged."

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1. Only through "comprehensive national cooperation

and the participation of all citizens" will Jordan be able to forge a sound economy and a strong state. "We will have no excuse in the coming phases should we fail to rely on ourselves and to lessen dependence on foreign aid, or should we fail to develop our domestic resources decisively to cope with the requirements of growth."

Jordanians, he said, should not look on unaffected by the mounting government budget deficit. "We should reverse this trend, tighten government expenditure, enhance the efficiency of the government machinery, and recruit our optimal national potential through total interaction between the government and its people," the King said. "The national effort in all economic and social fields—from the control of inflation to the stimulation of economic activity to the increase of productivity—is the result of the conscious popular will and organised cooperative action, and not the result of a government effort isolated from popular participation."

2. All Jordan's institutions need renovation and development—but renovation which respects continuity and is true to our roots and heritage, while at the same time triggering forces of progress, hope and action in the state and society. The King said renovation should embrace education, the judiciary, the institutions of local government and the methods of cooperation between government and citizen. "It is time that our country reconsidered its administration and institutions in order to remove the accumulated dust and open the doors and windows to novel and constructive ideas. Education in Jordan needs a new

lookout. The judiciary of which we are proud and which we respect, is called upon to renew itself," the King said. As the citizens tackle the issues of society and government, they should avoid "negative influences and currents of destructive criticism reaching us from outside our genuine society and foreign to its tolerant spirit," he said.

3. Jordan's responsibility to the Arab homeland and to its destiny increases daily. Jordan must remain a "fortress of Arabism," and a pillar of Arab unity, solidarity and sound pan-Arab thought, His Majesty concluded.

The NCC began its first session at noon on Sunday, chaired by Mr. Ahmad Tarawneh. The meeting was attended by the members of the cabinet.

At the outset of the session, Mr. Tarawneh congratulated council members on their appointment and expressed his hope that they might cooperate with one another and with the government constructively and in the interests both of the country and of the

people. The NCC's secretariat then recited the royal appointment of the members of the second NCC, and another appointing Mr. Tarawneh as its president.

The NCC members were sworn in. The Minister of Agriculture, Dr. Qasem Al-Rimawi, congratulated them on behalf of the government, and said government looked forward to cooperating with them to attain the goals cited in King Hussein's address. A committee to draft a reply to King Hussein's address was then elected. Dr. Kamal Dajan, was first vice-president and Majid Al-Shraydeh second president of the NCC.

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Eyewitnesses told the Jordan Times that the plane was stuck in the soft earth where an Egyptian plane had stuck in the soft earth. The plane experienced the same because its left wing was down.

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Exit Mr. Vance

THE RESIGNATION OF U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance deals another blow to the beleaguered administration of President Jimmy Carter. It need not necessarily be a fatal blow: the November elections are still six months away and most Americans will have forgotten about Mr. Vance by then; besides Presidential candidates are seldom judged by the composition of their cabinets.

But two important aspects of Mr. Vance's resignation lend it particular significance.

First, he brought to his job a wealth of experience in international diplomacy and a sound reputation as a dedicated and tactful negotiator that has, if anything, been enhanced in his 39 months in office. All who have dealt with him share a great respect for his balanced, patient approach. These virtues were especially evident when contrasted with the flamboyant, self-serving approach of his predecessor, Dr. Henry Kissinger.

Mr. Vance, therefore, was symbolic of the "good and decent" brand of leadership which Mr. Carter was expected to bring with him to the White House. Carter's 1976 campaign slogan had been "Why not the best?" and Mr. Vance was in that sense probably the "best" man for the job of secretary of state and equally probably the "best" man in the administration. His resignation shows that something has gone seriously wrong. Perhaps Mr. Carter is finding, at an awkward time for him personally and for America generally, that the road to hell is, indeed, paved with good intentions.

Second, Mr. Vance's resignation has bared the Carter administration's Achilles heel: foreign policy. The President can take little comfort from the fact that three-quarters of Americans—more out of blind patriotism than rational analysis, perhaps—now say they support the attempted hostage rescue operation in Iran, when that operation has cost him his secretary of state. And the fact that among the reasons cited for Mr. Vance's resignation were his differences with Presidential national security adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski is alarming to all those, inside the U.S. and outside, who entertain serious reservations about that hawkish strategist's views, policies and approach.

The ground began to fall from beneath Mr. Vance's feet with the fiasco of the United Nations Security Council vote condemning Israel's settlements policies in the occupied territories. After the "foul-up" which led President Carter to disavow the U.S.'s vote in favour of that unanimously passed resolution, Mr. Vance accepted full responsibility. Those involved in the Jordanian-sponsored U.N. initiative which produced the vote know that the American delegates, under instructions from the secretary of state, knew exactly what they were doing in first helping to draft and then voting for the resolution.

There is little doubt that Mr. Vance, a lawyer and a compassionate man who had resigned from government service once before over the Vietnam issue, finally found he could no longer be part of an administration that shamelessly disavows one of the few decent and honourable foreign policy moves it has ever taken, or one that engages in an act of reckless adventurism at a time when what is so urgently required is the type of calm, patient and tactful diplomacy which Cyrus Vance embodies.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RA'I: In the comprehensive address with which His Majesty King Hussein opened the second National Consultative Council, he gave the answers to many questions which preoccupy the mind of the Arab masses at this critical time in the Arab World.

It is no secret that the Arabs wonder about what is happening now in the Arab homeland. What is the next step at the pan-Arab level in the wake of Camp David, and how will the Arabs confront the challenge?

The King was keen, as always, on presenting the facts to the nation sincerely and honestly. He warned of what is taking place in the Arab homeland now—namely, the return of the forces of disunity. The only way to resist and frustrate these forces, he said, is to recall over national spirit instead of sinking into sectarian disputes that will shake and threaten the Arab entity.

Concerning the next step, King Hussein explained that Jordan will be playing a pan-Arab and historic role. This means that Jordan has something that may help advance the Arab march forward; and the dimensions of this role will surely be disclosed at the appropriate time.

AL DUSTOUR: In his address to the National Consultative Council His Majesty King Hussein stressed the goals which he considers essential in the domestic field. King Hussein emphasised comprehensive cooperation between government institutions and the public on development, and the modernisation of institutions and their development in various fields to set free the forces of activity and production in order to arrive at a balance between our revenues and the volume of services and expenditures.

The attainment of these goals requires deep popular awareness and a responsible attitude towards the country and the future, to achieve Jordan's major step forward in the social, economic and cultural fields.

At the pan-Arab level, King Hussein mentioned Jordan's increasing responsibility towards the Arab homeland, its concerns and its fate, reiterating that this Arab bastion will remain a supporter of Arab unity and solidarity.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Films

The Department of Culture and Arts, in cooperation with the Embassy of East Germany, presents a festival of German films, starting 8 p.m. at Versailles Cinema.

Sculpture Exhibition

The Jordan National Gallery presents an exhibition of sculpture by Samer Tabba. The gallery is open daily except on Tuesdays.

Art Exhibition

The Jordanian Artists' Association presents an exhibition of paintings, sculpture and ceramics by 45 Jordanian artists, most of whom are association members. The works are displayed at the association's centre in Jabal Luweideh (in a side street opposite the French Cultural Centre). The exhibition is open every day, including Friday, until April 30. Opening hours: 10:00 to 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Book Exhibition

The Goethe Institute presents an exhibition of children's picture books from West Germany. The exhibition opens at 5 p.m. and continues daily until May 6.

German Film

The Goethe Institute presents a film by H.W. Geissendorfer entitled "Sternstehhof" (1976) starring Katja Ruge, Tilo Pruckner and Peter Kern. The film starts at 8:00 p.m.

Documentary Films

The British Council presents the last two films on soccer starting at 6:00 p.m. The first is "The Striker" and the second is "The Team."

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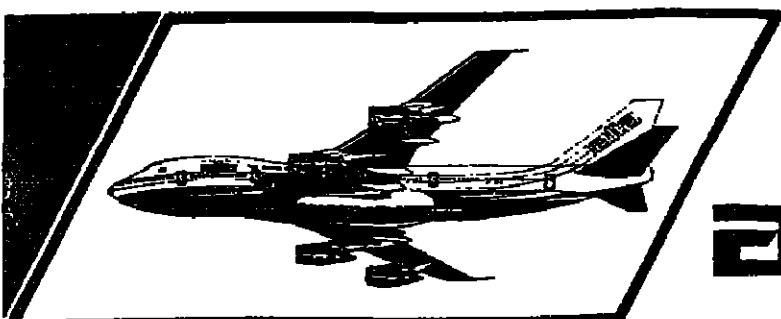
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Flies to UAE next

King Hussein arrives in Saudi Arabia for talks

April 28 (JNA) — His Majesty King Hussein arrived in Saudi Arabia for a two-day visit. He was accompanied by his son, Prince Sultan bin Abdul Aziz, and a number of officials. He was met by the Saudi monarch, King Fahd bin Abdul Aziz, and a number of government officials.

The chief of the Royal Court, Mr. Ahmad Lawzi; the Minister of the Royal Court, Mr. Amer Khammash; the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, Lt. Gen. Sharif Zaid bin Shaker; and the Jordanian ambassador in Jeddah, Mr. Tharwat Talhouni.

On the Saudi side the talks were attended by the Crown Prince and First Deputy Prime Minister, Fahd bin Abdul Aziz; the Minister of Defence and Aviation, Prince Sultan bin Abdul Aziz; and the Foreign Minister, Prince Saud Al Faisal.

Following the visit to Saudi Arabia, King Hussein will go to the United Arab Emirates for a meeting with its ruler Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan and a number of officials. The visit comes within the framework of consultations to strengthen the Arab position and solidarity.

Before the King's departure, Crown Prince Hassan was sworn in as Regent.



The Arab Boycott of Israel Office in emergency session here Monday.

Arab Boycott Office holds emergency session here on Egypt sanctions

AMMAN, April 28 (JNA) — The Minister of Finance, Mr. Salem Masa'deh, opened here today an emergency meeting of the Arab Boycott of Israel Office.

Speaking at the opening session, the office's Commissioner General, Mr. Mustafa Hamadeh, said economic sanctions against Egypt will be among the main subjects to be discussed.

Representatives from Jordan, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, North Yemen, Sudan, Tunisia, Algeria, Kuwait, Morocco and the United Arab Emirates are taking part in the four-day meeting to discuss the implementation of resolutions adopted by the Arab League Council of Finance and Economy Ministers at their meeting in Baghdad.

Women's role: 'Not just baby machines'

By Norah Barger
Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN, April 28 — Housewives and volunteer workers should be recognised as part of the labour force — this was an undisputed theme of the seminar on the role of working women in society as it met here during the past two days.

Other ideas taken up at the seminar at the Sports City were the need for more legislation and facilities for women entering the work force and more research on working women.

The seminar, which was opened Saturday by His Highness Crown Prince Hassan, was organised by the Department of Working Women in the Ministry of Labour in cooperation with the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA).

Attending the seminar — chaired by Mrs. Rabiha Nasser, director of the department — are 19 delegates from 11 Arab countries, participants from the U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), the U.N. Children's Fund, (UNICEF), UNFPA and the International Labour Organisation (ILO) and numerous Jordanian observers.

Recommendations of the seminar will be discussed tomorrow.

Said one Jordanian attending the seminar: "I have been to four conferences on women here in the past five years. During this seminar the women were less emphatic on the fact of going out to work and more adamant about demanding legislation in their favour, and facilities such as day-care centres before they go to work."

During the discussion of a paper on working women and family welfare by Dr. Ahmad Abu Hilal, a professor at the Faculty of Education at the University of Jordan, it was agreed that when a woman goes to work, it is not just her role that changes. The roles of her husband, children and members of the extended family change as well.

The point was made forcefully by one observer who said: "They may say there is no discrimination against working women, but there is. When she comes home from work, she has another full job to do. When men come home, they expect all the housework to have been done." Her statement was greeted with cheers and applause.

The Kuwaiti delegate expressed her opinion that the idea of day-care centres may be an imitation of the West that is unsuited for the Middle East. She suggested that using women in the extended family to look after children might be more in line with Arab culture. Studies on the effects of day-care centres on children were recommended.

The question of maternity leave also came up during the seminar when Mrs. Widad Boulos, a member of the National Consultative Council, presented a paper on the ethics of work. Some women argued that fine work ideals could not be expected of

women until they had proper rights, including adequate maternity leave. Some participants expressed the extreme view that women should be given two or three years of paid maternity leave after the birth of a child.

One delegate said during a break that many of the child care and maternity leave problems would be solved if women and men in the region stopped thinking of women as "machines for making babies."

It was also pointed out during discussion that a number of private companies do not hire married women, because so many take frequent maternity leaves. Some illegally fire women who get married.

That there is little or no discrimination against women in the government sector was widely agreed in discussions following a paper presented by Mrs. N. R. Rashdan of the NCC. Mrs. Rashdan, who is a lawyer, listed parts of the constitution, the labour law, the social security law and personal statutes pertaining to women, and suggested amendments to them. However, she and others stressed that much of the legislation is good; it does not need to be changed so much as to be enforced, particularly in the private sector.

One delegate criticised Mrs. Rashdan for not suggesting amendments to the personal statutes. He told the Jordan Times later that he personally believed there was wide scope for change in the centuries-old Islamic-based laws on marriage, divorce and the like.

Another delegate expressed some disappointment that many of the women seemed to favour passing legislation giving them more privileges, rather than fighting legislation that keeps them from working. One such law mentioned by Mrs. Rashdan was the one which prohibits women from working a night shift without special permission from the minister of social development.

Prince Hassan, who attended the session, said that legislation was not enough to get women working; attitudes, too, must change.

A plan for studying attitudes on women and what legislation is needed was presented by Mr. Henry 'Azam, from UNFPA in Beirut. The proposal, entitled "Women, Employment and Development Projects" will be co-sponsored by the Department of Working Women and executed by the ILO. The two-and-a-half year project is expected to begin in January 1981.

The project will assess various socio-economic indicators on women such as education level, marriage patterns, fertility, economic activities and the legal status of women. Pilot studies will be conducted on working women in urban and rural areas. Interviews will be conducted with non-working women to see what prevents them from working. Informal work, particularly that

done by migrants to cities will be evaluated. A stress in the study on rural women will be the conditions of housewives whose husbands are working as migrants to urban areas or overseas.

Other facets of the projects include an analysis of fertility and female participation in the labour force, examination of the positive and negative media images of working women, and women's organisation in rural and urban communities.

The project also hopes to formulate policies applicable on the national and regional levels aimed at encouraging working women to turn to commodities production rather than just services, developing the skills of agricultural women and increasing women's awareness in matters of family health and welfare.

The Minister of Social Development, Mrs. In'am Mufti, was present during the discussion of a paper on voluntary organisations presented by Mrs. Intisar Jandaneh. Her study is the most exhaustive to date on such organisations on both the West and East Banks. Discussions focussed on ways of preventing overlapping, and on the lack of coordination among the organisations. While it was agreed that the ministry could provide guidance to the organisations, some felt too much control would stifle the valuable creativity and initiative they have.

Dr. Mohammad Malallah, director of the Jordan Institute of Management, gave a paper on working women and the Jordanian economy. It included only those who work for a wage or salary in institutions employing five or more people.

Women constitute 19 per cent of the employees working in such institutions and by far the vast majority are in Amman. Dr. Malallah attributed the lopsided geographical distribution to the fact that most of the institutions are in Amman and that the society here is less restrictive towards women than it is in smaller towns. In any plan to limit migration to the city, he said, attention must be paid to offering employment to women in the more rural areas.

In evaluating the economic activities of women he prefaced his remarks by saying economic necessity is not the sole determinant for women working but that mores and value systems also come into play. What sort of work she does is often determined by values ingrained in her mind when she is a child at home and further inculcated in school by curricula, teachers and peer pressure.

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The number one occupation of women and men here is public administration and social services. The industrial sector is the second biggest employer of both sexes. However the third largest employer of men is trade, an

occupation that usually requires long hours that many women do not want. For them the third largest occupation is banking and finance which has shorter hours and usually requires skills such as accounting that women learn in secretarial schools.

As far as academic qualifications go, Dr. Malallah said that while the chance of a woman getting a job increases with her level of education the same is not necessarily true for a man. While it is difficult for women without a university degree to get a suitable job, the job market is far from saturated with women who have post high school diplomas, he said.

Studies on how marital status affects employment, he said, were too limited to base conclusions on but the fact still remains that social obligations here impose an extra burden on married women. Women, he said, have a very high drop out rate from the work force after the birth of their first baby. He suggested offering the options of part-time and flexible work for married women.

Mr. Munther Masri, director of the Vocational Training Corporation, spoke at greater length on education for women, particularly on the post-high school vocational training course that offer them the best opportunity to get jobs according to Dr. Malallah. He first outlined the strides made in women's education between 1970 and 1978, the latest year with available statistics.

In 1970, 40 per cent of the students enrolled in elementary school were girls. In 1978 they accounted for 46 per cent. (Of a 48 per cent of the population is female). In secondary general education the ratio of enrolled girls to boys went up from 32 to 41 per cent; in secondary vocational education the ratio has increased from 23 to 32 per cent. In 1970, 27 per cent of the students enrolled in post-secondary technical and vocational training were girls. In 1978, they accounted for 39 per cent.

Among the problems he cited were the lack of an efficient system of vocational guidance in schools and the lack of studies on why girls have a higher drop-out rate than boys. The curriculum, too, he said, reflects the traditional role of women in society: girls are taught home economics and boys are taught agriculture, a subject he feels both sexes need. More subtle, pictures, stories and even math problems in textbooks reflect traditional roles.

He also pointed out that fellowships and scholarships for girls are concentrated in humanities and pure sciences while for boys they are in applied science.

Today participants in the seminar took a trip to Petra. The delegates — who represent the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Iraq, Kuwait, Lebanon, North and South Yemen, Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organisation — will meet tomorrow for the final session of the seminar.

Local News Briefs

April 28 (JNA) — His Majesty King Hussein received at court Sunday afternoon the visiting American Assistant Defence, Mr. David McGiffert. The meeting was the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, Lt. Gen. Ibn Shaker and the U.S. Ambassador in Amman, Mr. J. J. Jones. Mr. McGiffert was in Jordan for the regular U.S.-Jordanian defence consultations.

April 28 (JNA) — The Public Security Directorate today that the Wadi Araba-Karak-Aqaba is unusable due to rain in the region. The directorate advised motorists not to go to road until further notice.

April 28 (JNA) — A Soviet delegation led by Deputy Higher Secondary Education Nikolai Yegorov left Amman end of an eight-day visit to Jordan. During the visit the delegation met with the Minister of Education, Dr. Mohammad Haffiq, and other ministry officials on promoting education between Jordan and the Soviet Union, parvocational training and the exchange of scholarships. Today the delegation called on the Speaker of the Upper House, Mr. Bahjat Talhouni. The delegation yesterday took University, the industrial school in Irbid and the teachers' training institute in Ajloun.

April 28 (JNA) — The Catholic Relief Service in Jordan today that it will open 26 food distribution centres for 20 in Madaba District's southern regions, in cooperation with the Ministry of Education. Some 1,300 students will benefit from these centres. The Ministry of Education yesterday that the World Food Programme has earmarked for a three-year programme to feed school children in Jordan. The programme will be initiated at the end of the next scholastic year, and nearly 122,000 students at primary and secondary schools will benefit from it. According to the programme, the schools in Madaba, Tafilah, Karak, Ma'an, Mafrqa, and Ajloun will be included in the programme.

April 28 (JNA) — Experts from three Arab states and two organisations opened in Amman yesterday a seminar on computer terminology used in the Arab World. In the week-long seminar are representatives from Jordan, Iraq, the Arab Organisation of Administrative and Technical Education, Cultural and Scientific

April 28 (JNA) — A Spanish archaeological team is due in Jordan for a visit to Jordan expected to last several days. The team will carry out restoration work on the ancient city of Jerash in cooperation with the Department of Antiquities.

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conditions have been a gradual improvement, and the weather is partly cloudy with scattered showers. In the west, winds will be westerly fresh. In the east, winds will be westerly moderate and dry.

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AMMAN STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

Name of Company	Par Value	Number Traded	High	Low	Closing Price
Jordan Lime and Silicate Brick Industries Co.	JD 5,000	550	5,400	5,300	5,400
Jordan Dairy Co.	JD 1,000	1550	1,370	1,350	1,350
Arabian Development and Investment	JD 2,000	50	1,380	1,380	1,380
Arabian Seas Insurance Co. Ltd.	JD 5,000	210	11,200	11,200	11,200
Islamic Bank	JD 1,000	60	2,300	2,300	2,300
Jordan Gulf Bank	JD 1,000	8720	1,400	1,350	1,400
Housing Bank	JD 1,000	1360	1,950	1,940	1,950
Jordan Kuwait Bank	JD 1,000	5385	2,200	2,000	2,200
Arab Investment Bank	JD 1,000	1600	1,450	1,450	1,450
Arab Bank Co.	JD 10,000	325	120,000	120,000	120,000
Cairo Amman Bank	JD 5,000	1100	12,250	12,100	12,250
Dar Al Dawa Development and Investment Co.	JD 1,000	1550	3,700	3,650	3,700
Dar Al Sha'ab	JD 1,000	500	0,990	0,990	0,990
Industrial, Commercial and Agricultural Co.	JD 1,000	9476	3,100	3,050	3,100
Jordan General Mining Co.	JD 1,000	400	1,380	1,380	1,380
Arab International Hotels Co.	JD 1,000	31070	0,950	0,920	0,930
Auction shares	JD 5,000	114	24,800	24,750	24,800
Arab Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Co.	JD 1,000	2530	1,300	1,300	1,300
Arab Company for Aluminium Industries	JD 1,000	10150	0,980	0,960	0,960
International Construction and Investment	JD 10,000	306	19,500	19,500	19,500
Jordan Cement Factories Co.	JD 1,000	5500	1,300	1,300	1,300
Jordan Ceramic Industries Co.	JD 1,000	1000	0,830	0,830	0,830
Jordan Glass Factories Co.	JD 1,000	426	1,310	1,310	1,310
Jordan Paper and Cardboard Factories Co.	JD 1,000	1100	2,500	2,480	2,500
Arab Chemical Detergents Industries Co.	JD 5,000	1255	9,650	9,650	9,650
Jordan Petroleum Refinery Co.	JD 1,000	180	15,200	15,200	15,200
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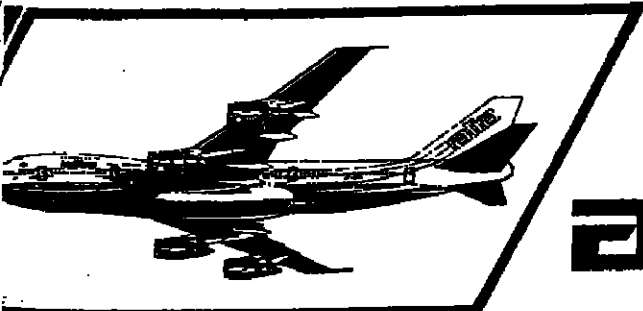
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Economic Report

Japan vehicles' exports a record 4.92 m.

TOKYO, April 28 (R) — Japan exported a record total of 4.92 million motor vehicles in the financial year which ended last month, an increase of 19.1 per cent over the previous year, the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association said today.

Exports to the United States rose by 21 per cent, to Britain by 26.7 per cent and to West Germany by 36.7 per cent, it said.

India, Russia aim at agricultural cooperation

NEW DELHI, April 28 (R) — The U.S. embargo on grain sales to the Soviet Union will cause no difficulties, Soviet Agriculture Minister Valentin Mesyats said today. Mr. Mesyats told reporters here that imports from the United States were a small percentage of Soviet grain production.

"There will be no damage in spite of the fact that grain production fell to 180 million tonnes in 1979," he said. The fall was due to the worst drought in one hundred years, he added. The Soviet Union produced an average of 206 million tonnes of food-grains annually in the five years 1975 to 1979 and had set a target of 235 million tonnes for 1980, the minister said.

Concluding a week-long visit to India, Mr. Mesyats said the Soviet Union and India would strengthen co-operation in agriculture. The Soviet Union was interested in hybrid wheat varieties produced in India, and would be sending varieties of sunflower, soyabean, cotton and sugarbeet for experiment and breeding in this country.

Iran strengthens trading ties with Turkey

ISTANBUL, Turkey, April 28 (AP) — The Iranian central bank has set up a special commission to speed plans for increasing trade with neighbouring Turkey, the Soviet Union and socialist countries, the state-owned Turkish radio reported today. Without identifying the source of the report, the radio said the move was a result of anticipated economic sanctions against Iran. The broadcast did not elaborate. Turkey and Iran were reported last week on the verge of signing a major economic agreement, with special reference to Turkey's badly-needed crude oil supplies.

Press reports said understanding on the package agreement followed Turkish assurances that the minority government of the Turkish premier Mr. Suleyman Demirel will not join sanctions announced by U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON, April 28 (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at the close of trading on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets today.

One sterling	2.2835/55	U.S. dollar	
One U.S. dollar	1.1842/45	Canadian dollar	
	1.7975/85	West German marks	
	1.9845/60	Dutch guilders	
	1.6700/6720	Swiss francs	
	28.79/82	Belgian francs	
	4.1925/75	French francs	
	845.50/846.25	Italian lire	
	241.00/241.20	Japanese yen	
	4.2465/85	Swedish crowns	
	4.9340/60	Norwegian crowns	
	5.6385/6410	Danish Crowns	
One ounce of gold	521.00/525.00	U.S. dollars	

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON, April 28 (R) — The market closed firm led by a strong government bond sector, dealers said. At 1500 the FT index was up 3.6 at 431.1.

The lower trend in U.S. interest rates, highlighted by Morgan Guaranty's lowering of prime rate from 19½ per cent to 18½ per cent prompted gains stretching to 1½ points in government bonds. Rises of as much as 16p were seen in equities but gold shares declined with the bullion price. U.S. and Canadian stock ended mixed in quiet trading.

Oil was a firm feature with Ultramar closing 19p higher at 15p 15p up. Shell and Tricentral both showed gains of 12; Chemicals rose as much as 8p as in ICI.

Electricals were mixed with GEC up 6p but Thorn 6p lower. Elsewhere in this trading there were scattered gains of penny or two in Grand Met, Lucas and Marks. Furness Withy rose 1p to 411 after news that the offer from Orient Overseas was unconditional.



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5 (Apr. 20 to May 20) Study all aspects of a new wave in mind before going ahead with it. Delve work and gain added prestige.

1 (May 21 to June 21) Be more enthusiastic in and gain the cooperation of others. Come to the end who needs your help now.

CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Let higher-ups use their finest talents and gain their support. Attend of a cultural nature in the evening.

12 (July 22 to Aug. 21) Be sure you handle a new inmost intelligent way. Exercise good judgment in business matter.

18 (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Go to the right sources the knowledge you need to advance in career avoid one who gossips too much.

23 (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Contact financial experts on property and money matters. Good time to range plans for the future.

10 (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You can come up with now that can help you advance in career affairs. pride in your appearance.

11 (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Take time to get the inspired ideas to make your life more e. Avoid a troublemaker.

12 (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Contact a loyal friend help you gain a most cherished aim. Attend a thing and make new contact of worth.

13 (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) You are able to gain ration of a higher-up for some important matter at this time.

14 (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Open your mind to more shods so that you can advance more quickly in e. Use care in motion.

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Partner opens the bidding with one club. What do you respond?

Q.5—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠AKJ4 ♠K ♣KQ102

Partner opens the bidding with one diamond. What do you respond?

Q.6—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠AKJ873 ♠63 ♣AK106 ♣95 ♠AKJ873 ♠63

The bidding has proceeded: North East South West 1 ♣ Pass 1 ♦ 1 ♣ 2 ♣ Pass ? What do you bid now?

Q.7—East-West vulnerable with 90 on score, as South you hold:
♠A ♠AK83 ♠984 ♠107642

Your right-hand opponent opens the bidding with three clubs. What action do you take?

Q.8—As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠AQ43 ♠93 ♠8752 ♠Q103

The bidding has proceeded: West North East South 1 ♣ Dble. 2 ♣ ? What action do you take?

Jordan Times Sports Roundup

U.S. Olympic team may play in U.S., Europe

CHICAGO, April 28 (R) — The U.S. Olympic team, boycotting the Moscow Games in protest against the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, might compete in several events in the United States and Europe under a proposed plan announced yesterday.

A spokesman for the Athletics Congress, governing body for amateur track and field in the United States, said the plan was approved by an unofficial 23-member committee of Olympic team coaches and some of the country's top athletes.

Under the plan, selected athletes would compete in scheduled meets at Stuttgart, West Germany, on July 11-12, London on July 13, Oslo on July 15, Rome on August 5, Berlin on August 8 and Zurich on August 13. It would also participate in two yet-to-be-determined events in the United States, the spokesman said.

The Stuttgart meet was to have been the final tune-up for the U.S. team before the Moscow Games scheduled for July 19 to August 3. The plan would need funding by the U.S. Olympic committee and the government, the spokesman said.

European weightlifting championship results

BELGRADE, April 28 (R) — Bulgaria's world record holder Stefan Dimitrov won two gold and a silver medal in the featherweight category (60 kilogramme) to become the most successful competitor at the European weightlifting championships here last night. Dimitrov snatched 127.5 kilos for a gold, lifted 157.5 in the jerk for a silver, and totalled 285 combined for his second gold of the day.

Although three kilos under his world record in the snatch, the 22-year-old sports teacher said he was extremely pleased by his

title after beating two strong Polish lifters and one from the Soviet Union. The two Poles, Wieslaw Pawluk and Jakub Wlodzimierz, won silver and bronze medals respectively in the snatch by both lifting 125 kilos.

Jurij Sarkisjan of the Soviet Union, who placed only sixth in the snatch, lifted 160 kilos in the jerk to win the gold easily. Although Sarkisjan failed in a subsequent attempt to break the world record of 166.5 kilos in the event, the result helped him to total 280 kilos in the combined for a silver medal.

Gelu Radu of Romania won the bronze in the jerk by lifting 150 kilos and Wieslaw Pawluk won the bronze in the combined by totalling 275.

The Soviet Union have so far collected five gold and three silver medals, followed by Bulgaria with two gold and two silver. Poland have won nine medals (one gold, three silver and five bronze). East Germany five (a gold, a silver and three bronze), and Romania a bronze.

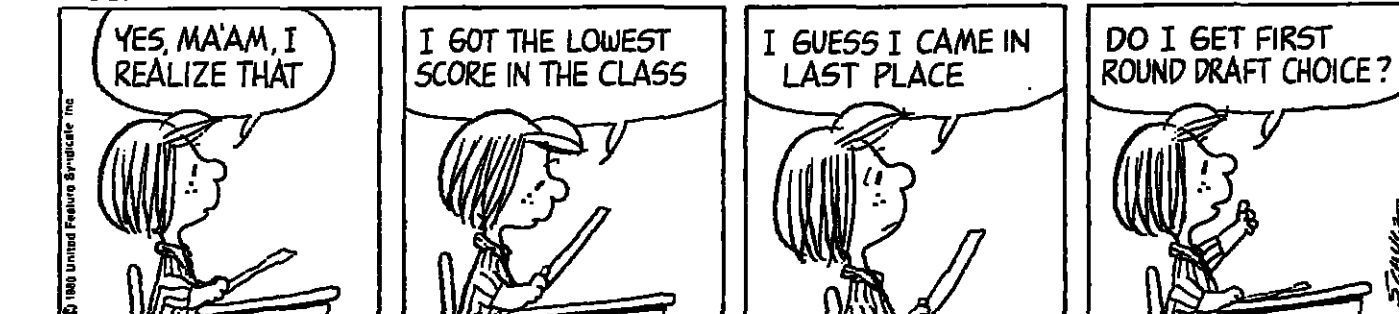
Ali will fight Holmes on July 11

NEW YORK, April 28 (AP) — Larry Holmes will defend his World Boxing Council heavyweight championship against three-time champion Muhammad Ali on July 11 in Rio de Janeiro, it was announced today. Promoters said the bout would carry a \$12 million purse, the biggest in fight history.

The fight will be promoted by Prime Sports and Murad Muhammad in conjunction with Don King Productions and will be presented at the 165,000-seat Maracana stadium. Domestic and worldwide television rights still are being negotiated, the promoters said.

It will be the first fight for the 38-year-old Ali since he won the heavyweight crown Sept. 15, 1978, against Leon Spinks. Holmes, 30, has won all 34 of his pro fights, 25 in knockouts.

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6:30 Koran
6:45 Cartoons
6:50 Family Classic
7:00 Little House
7:30 Local programme
8:00 News in Arabic
8:30 Arabic series
9:30 Wrestling
10:45 Lou Grant

CHANNEL 4

6:30 French programme
7:00 News in French
7:30 News in Hebrew
8:30 Comedy
9:10 The Secret Army
10:00 News in English
10:30 Man of the North
10:45 Lou Grant

RADIO JORDAN

7:00 Sign on
7:01 Morning Show
7:30 News Bulletin
7:50 Morning Show
8:00 News Headlines
10:30 Oriental Folk
11:00 Sign off
12:00 Sign on and News Headlines
12:01 Radiotheque
13:00 News Summary
13:01 Radiotheque
14:00 News Bulletin
14:10 Music
14:30 The Song in France
15:00 Concert Hour
16:00 News Summary
16:01 Easy Listening
16:30 Old Favorites
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17:30 Radiotheque
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19:00 News Bulletin
19:10 News Reports
19:30 Sign off

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7:55 Cairo (EA)
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7:00 Agaba
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11:05 Riyadh (SDI)
12:05 Kuwait (KAC)
12:25 Cairo (EA)
16:00 Cairo
17:30 Paris
17:45 New York, Amsterdam
18:10 Madrid, Athens
18:30 London
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18:45 Rome
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19:45 Beirut (MEA)
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06:30 Master of Early Music

06:30 Financial News, Reflections

06:30 News, 24 Hours

06:30 Think of Number

06:30 The World Today

06:30 Newsline

06:30 DJ Roundtable

06:30 News, 24 Hours

06:30 Farmer Giles of Ham

06:30 Network U.K.

06:30 News, Reflections

06:30 News, British Press Review

06:30 The World Today

06:30 Financial News, Look Ahead

06:30 Nature Notebook

06:30 DJ Roundtable

06:30 Sports International

06:30 News, News about Britain

11:15 Letter from London

11:15 Second Step

11:15 Brain of Britain

12:00 Radio Newsline

12:15 The Melon Ensemble

12:45 Sports Round-up

13:00 News, 24 hours

13:30 Network U.K.

13:45 A Jolly Good Show

14:30 Talkabout

15:00 Radio Newsline

15:15 Outlook

16:00 News, Commentary

16:15 Pride of Place

16:30 Graham Greene Short Stories

16:45 The World Today

17:00 News, Sunday this Week

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18:00 News, News about Britain

18:15 Radio Newsline

18:30 The Farming World

19:00 Outlook, Stock Market Report

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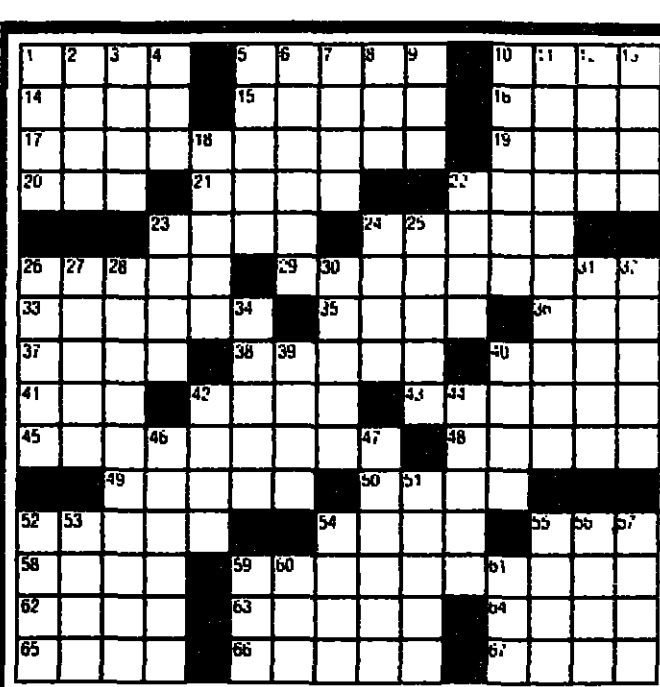
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ACROSS	DOWN	ACROSS	DOWN
1 FOR's pet	36 Actress	55 Pitcher	25 Emulated
5 Home	37 Make ale	58 Winglike	26 Mala Hari
10 Young oyster	38 Colonial diplomat	59 Politic	26 Limerick rhyme
14 After amas	40 Garment	62 In case	27 French marshal
15 Stringed instruments	41 Cudgel	63 Nourishes	28 'Things have come to a --'
16 Laundry	42 Farmer's place	64 'Take -- from me'	29 Russian range
17 Occur	43 Famed theorist	65 Notting	30 Film Stu
19 Villa d --	45 'Head 'em off --'	66 Grove	32 Radiant
20 Occult initials	48 Billy's male	67 Stoic	32 Capable
21 Authentic	49 Irish poet		33 High notes
22 Dismore	50 Mimicked		34 Alumnus
23 Feline boot wearer	52 From John		35 Trade
24 Raps fiber	53 Paul II		36 Part of a vengeance motif
26 Sufficient	54 Child's activity		37 Fireside
29 Tops			38 Menu items
33 Dawn			39 Outdated
35 Stir up			40 Miami tree
			41 Letter for a letter
			42 Between pit and cpl
			43 White sign
			44 La -- Bolivia

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved

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5 DOWN	6 ACROSS	7 DOWN	8 ACROSS
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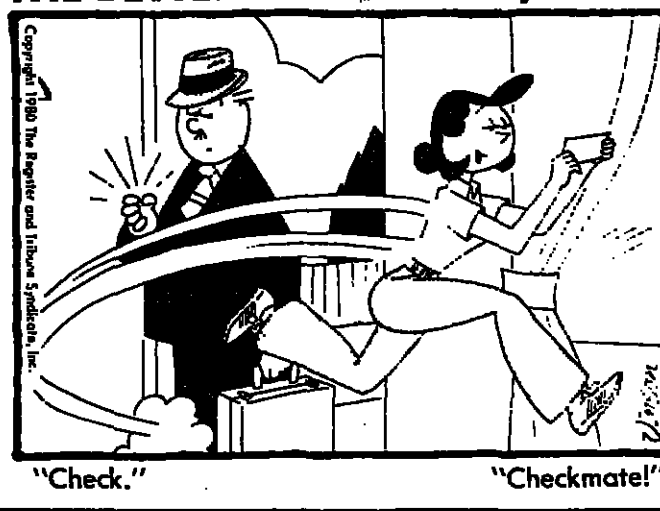
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Carter's Iran policy given firm backing EEC leaders to call on U.N. to renew efforts for release of Iran hostages

LUXEMBOURG, April 28 (R) -- European Common Market leaders have decided to call on U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim to make new efforts to gain the release of the American hostages in Iran, informed sources said today.

They reported the call was in a communique before the nine government heads for approval at the end of a two-day summit here later today.

According to the sources, the communique will state: "The (Common Market) Council calls upon the secretary-general of the U.N. to renew his efforts to secure the liberation of the hostages and declares the readiness of the Nine to support these efforts to the full."

As expected, the communique voices the Common Market's firm solidarity "with the government and people of the United States in their present time of trial."

Despite President Carter's failure to consult his allies over the abortive attempt to rescue the hostages, the European leaders have made clear they will not criticize him.

The draft communique condemns the seizure of the hostages as an inadmissible violation of international law.

It states: "They (the nine leaders) consider that the situation created by this violation opens the door to developments fraught with serious consequences. A return to a state of legality is the only way to ensure peace and security."

The draft communique also reaffirms the Community's decision to implement fully a two-stage plan of diplomatic and economic sanctions against Iran if the hostages are not released by May 17.

The plan was drawn up by EEC foreign ministers last Tuesday in the belief that President Carter would not take military action against Iran until the May 17 deadline had passed.

From the moment the summit began here yesterday, however, it was clear the EEC heads were not wavering in their backing for President Carter. On arrival, French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing announced he was "in solidarity with the United States" on the hostages issue.

The EEC leaders discussed the Iranian crisis after dinner last night, summoning their foreign ministers to join them for talks that lasted into the early hours. A British source said the mood of the meeting was "unanimous solidarity with the United States."

On the first day of their summit,

the leaders devoted only a few minutes to the two major economic problems dividing the common market -- farm prices and Britain's demands for a huge reduction in its EEC payments.

British officials calculated it would mean Britain making a net payment of £500 million annually compared with the £1.1 billion estimated for 1980. The officials said the proposal "had its attractions" but they wanted the contribution to be further trimmed.

France has specified it should be linked to British agreement on other economic issues, especially the 1980 farm prices.

Early today, Britain was fighting against an EEC Commission recommendation to raise farm prices by an average five per cent. But the proposal was backed by France and at least six other Common Market countries.

EEC officials said a major effort would be needed if real progress was to be made on the outstanding community problems during their meeting here.

Delay would be a blow for British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who originally hoped to achieve a cut in British budget contribution at a Dublin summit last December. "We are not too optimistic at the moment," one British official said.

Tito comes out of shock state but condition still 'very grave'

LJUBLJANA, Yugoslavia, April 28 (R) -- President Tito has come out of his critical state of shock, but his general state of health continues to be very grave, his doctors reported today.

A medical bulletin said the 87-year-old Yugoslav leader was undergoing further intensive treatment at the clinical centre in this northern city.

Early last week, the president's life was said to be in imminent danger from a combination of coma and shock.

Today's bulletin by the panel of eight medical professors said: "The critical phase of shock into which the president had fallen in the afternoon hours of April 22 has been overcome by the application of appropriate measures of treatment."

"But his general state of health continues to be very grave. Intensive treatment continues."

Medical sources said the bulletin indicated that the doctors had succeeded in stabilising the president's condition once again, although at a very low level of survival.

African leaders to meet for first-ever economic summit

LAGOS, April 28 (R) -- African leaders meet here today for their first-ever summit to adopt measures to boost the continent's development.

Heads of state and government of the 50 countries of the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) -- the new state of Zimbabwe was admitted as the 50th member last week -- are expected to approve a "Lagos plan of action" which aims at creating an African common market by the year 2000.

OAU Secretary-General Edem Kodjo of Togo told a week-long preparatory ministerial meeting which ended yesterday that the continent's survival depended on leaders adopting "a new way of looking at Africa."

Ministers here said the plan was vital if Africa was to be spared continuous upheavals such as the military coup in Liberia in which President William Tolbert, who was the OAU chairman, was killed and 13 of his ministers and aides subsequently executed by firing squad.

The new Liberian ruler, Master-Sergeant Samuel Doe, was effectively barred from the summit when Nigerian President

Shehu Shagari's government told him Saturday night it could not "facilitate" his coming to Lagos.

Many OAU delegates said privately they would leave the conference if Sergeant Doe tried to attend as self-proclaimed OAU chairman.

OAU spokesman Mr. Peter Onu said one of the organisation's eight vice-chairmen would be elected to preside over the two-day economic summit.

Liberian developments are not on the agenda for the summit but this does not preclude African leaders from raising the matter.

Another political issue likely to come before the summit is the civil war in the central African state of Chad, where a month of street fighting between rival forces for control of the capital, N'Djamena, has led to over 1,000 deaths and 3,000 wounded. Chad President Goukouni Oueddei is expected to attend the summit.

The OAU plan for economic action aims at integrating Africa's weak economies in order to overcome the effects on trade and transport of the "Balkanisation" of the continent by colonial powers.

Carter re-election officials reassured by Kennedy's narrow win in Michigan

DETROIT, April 28 (R) -- President Carter's re-election campaign officials yesterday drew comfort from his narrow defeat by Democratic party rival Senator Kennedy in presidential caucuses in the industrial state of Michigan.

They had been apprehensive that the failure of the U.S. commando operation to rescue American hostages in Iran could have produced a backlash against Mr. Carter and turned a close contest into a lopsided victory for Senator Kennedy.

But it didn't. The difference was just one delegate and 226 votes when some 16,232 Democrats declared their presidential preferences in restricted precinct caucuses yesterday across the mid-western state.

Clearly the ill-fated rescue mission has no significant effect. But Carter campaign officials conceded the political fallout could still come, as Kennedy supporters are predicting, in the weeks ahead.

Mr. Carter's Michigan campaign coordinator, Mr. Kurt Wiley, said Senator Kennedy had to win big to pick up enough momentum to threaten the president's bid for a second White House term.

Mr. Wiley said he had discussed the results with Mr. Carter. "We both agreed we're well on the road to the nomination... and moving along faster than the Kennedy campaign expected."

Mr. Carter kept his margin of almost 2-1 in the delegate race. According to unofficial figures, he now has 1,206 and Senator Kennedy 664 in the quest for 1,666 delegates needed to clinch the nomination at the Democratic convention in August.

Kennedy aides feel many Americans are growing disillusioned with Mr. Carter's handling of the economy, reeling from soaring inflation, high interest rates and rising unemployment, and his conduct of foreign policy, notably the Iranian

hostage crisis.

Some Kennedy officials are convinced negative reaction over the aborted rescue, which cost eight American lives, will show up in the next few rounds of presidential voting.

"I'm sure we'll see some fallout when it sinks in," said Mr. Joe Sutton, a Kennedy campaign staff member in Michigan.

"Americans always tend to rally round their president when things go wrong. But that will only be for so long. Sooner or later they are going to question his leadership."

Senator Kennedy himself has been careful not to criticise the president over the aborted rescue mission and his aides said he would not try to make political capital out of it.

The coming days should tell if Mr. Carter had been hurt politically. Texas votes in Democratic caucuses on May 3, followed by primaries in North Carolina, Tennessee, Indiana and the federal capital, Washington, on May 6.

Hundreds feared drowned after storm hits Cuban refugee boats

KEY WEST, Florida, April 28 (R) -- Hundreds of Cuban refugees were feared drowned today after a flash storm hit their flotilla of tiny craft in the Florida Straits, capsizing or disabling dozens of vessels.

One large fishing boat carrying about 200 Cubans sent out Mayday signals on Saturday night, which were received by three separate vessels, but since then nothing more has been heard of it. A coast guard helicopter pilot reported sighting eight capsized boats with no sign of survivors in the water.

A spokesman for the coast guard said the cutter Ingham was homeward bound with 18 battered small craft trailing behind it, while three frigates were towing 12 other disabled vessels.

Darkness and bad weather had caused the search to be suspended for a time but more coast guard cutters set out last night, while planes and helicopters joined the search at dawn.

The sudden storm sprang up out of the Caribbean late on Saturday and sent winds of up to 78 knots from the direction of Cuba across the 144-kilometre straits, whipping up seas of five to six metres that played havoc with the small boats.

Many of the craft were commanded by inexperienced captains, eager to collect the \$1,000 each fare being paid for bringing Cubans to the U.S. mainland. One boat which arrived at Key West yesterday had an unexpected passenger, a baby girl born aboard ship.

Lieutenant Roland Isnor, second in command at the Key West coast guard station, said that by last night they had received 100 distress signals.

How many stricken craft were en route to Cuba and how many were coming back from Mariel harbour, where 1,500 American vessels were waiting to collect refugees, was not known. The number of Cubans already arrived in Florida passed 3,200 yesterday.

The exodus began over Easter when 10,000 Cubans poured into the Peruvian embassy grounds in Havana seeking to emigrate. The huge Cuban exile community in Miami then organised the mission to bring Cubans to the United States.

The Carter administration has roundly criticised President Fidel Castro's regime in regard to its refugees policy.

Yesterday, Vice-President Walter Mondale said President Castro had broken a commitment to aid in an orderly, humane evacuation process, and that he had "evaded his responsibility toward his citizens."

"There is no better proof of the failure of Castro's revolution than the dramatic exodus which is currently taking place," he said. "At the same time, we are witnessing a callous, cynical effort by Castro... to lure members of this (Cuban-American) community into extraordinarily dangerous and unlawful boat trips, with the real threat of loss of life at sea."

Two-month-long embassy seizure ends peacefully Colombian president urges guerrillas to switch to legal opposition methods

BOGOTA, April 28 (R) -- President Julio Turbay Ayala called on Colombia's guerrillas to switch to legal opposition methods after their two-month-long seizure of the Dominican Republic's embassy ended peacefully yesterday.

"I invite them to lay down their arms and use their intelligence and their energies in the service of Colombia," he said in a broadcast last night.

Mr. Turbay went on the air 14 hours after guerrillas of the M-19 group left aboard an airliner for Cuba taking 12 of the diplomats they had held hostage in the embassy since Feb. 27 with them. The hostages were released in Havana.

He said the government had ended the siege without endangering peace, trading diplomats, giving any boost to the guerrillas, or releasing any state prisoners.

"It would be sufficient to say that the most serious diplomatic

kidnapping in the world has been resolved as the Colombian government promised, decorously, legally and without bloodshed," he said.

The government rejected the M-19 guerrillas demands for the release of activists jailed or on trial for alleged guerrilla actions. But it pledged during negotiations to let the Inter-American Human Rights Commission attend their trials.

Mr. Turbay revealed that the government had promised the commission that any of those on trial, who include about 200 members of the M-19, would be allowed to leave the country if they were found not guilty and were not wanted for questioning.

Mr. Turbay said the ambassadors of Israel, Egypt, Venezuela and the Dominican Republic were released before the guerrillas left Colombia.

Nine of the 12 hostages taken to Cuba flew back to Bogota last night, Red Cross sources said. They were the ambassadors of Haiti, Switzerland, Brazil and Guatemala the charges d'affaires of Paraguay and Bolivia and three

other Latin American diplomats. The U.S. ambassador, papal nuncio and Mexican ambassador returned to their own countries.

Mr. Turbay said the M-19 guerrillas did not leave the embassy humiliated, "but with the satisfaction of having done all they could for the (imprisoned) members of their subversive organisation and full of hope about the honest conduct of Colombian justice."

President Turbay sent a message thanking Cuban President Fidel Castro for his "helpful collaboration" in the affair.

The Egyptian ambassador in Bogota, Mr. Salah Allouba, said his capture at the Dominican Embassy was a nightmare but he praised the Colombian authorities for their handling of negotiations with the guerrillas, the Cairo daily Al Akhbar reported today.

In an interview with Mr. Allouba, by telephone from Washington, Al Akhbar quoted him as saying that during his capture he and other diplomats carried out cleaning work and cooking, and at one stage he was forced to sleep with 65 others on the floor.

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SAN SALVADOR, April 28 (R) -- Gunmen yesterday El Salvador's ambassador to Japan in the latest eruption of violence in the country, police said. Mr. Walter Bencke, foreign minister and education minister, was hit by machine bullets fired by a group of six men as he was getting out of his home in San Salvador. Earlier, police said ten people were killed in clashes with security forces in the cities of Santa Ana and Apapa. Human rights officials estimate that 2,300 people have been politically motivated violence in El Salvador in the past six years.

NEW DELHI, April 28 (R) -- Troops were called in today to police a massive demonstration in Imphal, capital of India's eastern Manipur state, and a 48-hour curfew was imposed on the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported. The army assisted police used lathi (cane) charges and tear gas to disperse violent mobs set fire to a number of houses, PTI said. A night curfew was clamped on Imphal after violence broke out yesterday. A woman was killed and a youth injured in police firing in the bazaar area. Manipur, like nearby Assam, has been the scene of agitation against migrant workers, and underground Maoist guerrillas have stepped up their activities in a campaign to gain independence from India. Seven people, including three parliamentarians and three guerrillas, were killed in an armed encounter near Imphal on Saturday. Air, rail and road transport was suspended in Assam today.

BONN, April 28 (R) -- Both West German television networks declined contracts to show the British documentary film "Des Princesses", which caused a diplomatic storm between Britain and Saudi Arabia, spokesmen said today. The decisions were taken on grounds of quality, network spokesmen said. The documentary, in which a Saudi princess is executed for adultery, caused Saudi Arabia to request the withdrawal of the British ambassador.

PARIS, April 28 (R) -- General Guy Mery, French armed chief of staff, has come out in favour of the controversial nuclear bomb as France plans to strengthen its nuclear arsenal. The general testified before the National Assembly's Defence Commission they would be in addition to new super-plutonium tactical nuclear weapons necessary by 1990, parliamentarians reported today. President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing and the Inner Defence Council are to take a decision on new weapons this summer. The United States on the point of producing a neutron warhead when President Carter scrapped plans for it after public uproar in Western Europe. A concerted campaign by the Soviet Union. Not an actual nuclear missile warhead or artillery shell, the neutron weapon releases flash of deadly radiation over a small area.

PEKING, April 28 (AP) -- Mr. Leonard Woodcock, U.S. ambassador to China, today opened a consulate in Shanghai, establishing American presence in the world's largest city. Shanghai Vice-Mayor Zhao Xingzhi joined in ceremonies opening the consulate in room mansion in the heart of the city of 12 million. The mission play an important role in facilitating the growing trade between United States and China, U.S. officials said. It was the second consulate opened in China in the 16 months since the two governments established diplomatic relations with the opening of embassies in Washington and Peking. China has consulates in San Francisco and Houston.

WELLINGTON, April 28 (R) -- New Zealand's ambassador to Mr. Chris Beeby, has left Tehran at the end of his term and will be replaced immediately, the government said today. Two New Zealand officials would remain in the embassy in Tehran. Asked if the mission not to replace Mr. Beeby meant that New Zealand was grading the status of its Tehran embassy, Prime Minister Muldoon said: "I would hope in the long term, no." The embassies of the European Common Market have agreed to their diplomatic representation in Tehran as part of their support for President Carter's Iran policy.

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